



SHOOTS WIFE; KILLS HIMSELF

THE WEATHER

Forecast: generally fair tonight and Monday; colder Tuesday; fresh northwest to west winds. Sea calm 3:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.; moon rises 7:20 p. m.; high tide 12:30 a. m., 1:45 p. m., 1:45 p. m. Temperatures (all 1 p. m.): Maximum, 60 at 1 p. m.; minimum, 53 at 1 a. m.; average, 55.5. Temperature at 1 p. m., 58.

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Ousted City Officials Begin Fight on Curley

LITTLE SON TO DEFEND MRS. MOHR

DEFENCE TO PUT BOY ON STAND

Accused Woman Anxious to Tell Her Story in Court to the Jury and to the Public Counsel for Spellman and Brown Also Reach Decision to Offer Clients as Witnesses

Providence, Jan. 22.—Mrs. Elizabeth F. Mohr will positively take the stand in her own defense, according to a statement made to-day, thereby dispelling a doubt which existed this morning whether she would be permitted to tell her story.

"According to our present plan," said counsel for the woman accused of conspiring to murder her husband, "we shall put Mrs. Mohr on the witness stand during the latter part of the trial. We think that will be the week after next at the very earliest."

Charles Mohr, the eight-year-old son of Mrs. Mohr, will also testify, and next to his mother he is considered as the most important witness for the defense.

Mrs. Mohr has received hundreds of encouraging letters from all parts of the country, and is famous for telling her story from the witness stand to the writers of these letters and to the world.

Charles Mohr, Who Will Testify, to Help Mother



This picture of the young son of Mrs. Mohr, with his pet dog, was recently posed especially for the AMERICAN.

AVALANCHE HITS 4 NEWTON BOYS TRAIN; THREE HELD ON ROBBER CHARGE

By International News Service. Everett, Wash., Jan. 22.—At least three persons were killed when an avalanche today struck West bound Great Northern train No. 25, the Cascade limited, at Cove, near Tye. The cars of the train were swept 200 feet down an embankment.

The first reports of the accident stated that scores of passengers were injured and that three remained held in the cars.

Villa and Bandits Trapped

APPEAL TO JEALOUS MAN USES PISTOL

Counsel for Three of Those Discharged at City Hall to Demand the Mayor's Reasons

Former District Attorney Arthur D. Hill, counsel for three of the seventeen officials dropped from the Public Works Department, today announced that he would appeal to the courts for relief of his clients, having failed at a public hearing before Commissioner Edward F. Murphy to force Mayor Curley to show his hand or to obtain satisfactory explanation for the first dismissal of the first batch of city employees discharged.

"I shall institute legal proceedings to obtain the information desired," said Mr. Hill. "Just what form our legal action will take, or what court I shall appeal to I prefer not to make public at this time. At present I represent only Messrs. Melrose, Durbin and Robinson, but I am available for any of the others who care to retain me. The matter has not ended at this hearing by any means."

At the hearing Mr. Hill, while explaining he did not wish to make any accusations, strongly intimated that the administration's refusal to tell the discharged officials why they were dropped and the Curley claim that the officials were to be abolished was "half pretext."

COL. DUNN ELECTED STREET BOARD HEAD

The Board of Street Commissioners has been organized by the election of Colonel John H. Dunn as chairman and John J. O'Callaghan as secretary. Francis J. Brennan, formerly assistant secretary to the Mayor, who succeeded Colonel D. Charles on the board, qualified and assumed the duties of his office.

Latest War Bulletins

Berlin, Jan. 22.—Germany and France have agreed to free civil prisoners in both countries, who are not used for military service, the Overseas News Agency announced today. Those who will be released and sent home are all men under 17 years old and over 55, and all others unfit for military duties. All women will also be released.

Paris, Jan. 22.—Colonel E. M. House, personal representative of President Wilson, who is the guest of United States Ambassador Sharpe, met a number of French government officials today.

Zurich, Jan. 22.—A Sofia dispatch to Die Zeit states that all communication between Greece and Bulgaria has been suddenly stopped. The message gives no explanation.

Paris, Jan. 22.—King Nicholas of Montenegro has abandoned hope of defending Scutari against the Austro-Hungarians and is withdrawing into the interior of Albania with his troops, according to a dispatch from Rome.

Constantinople, Jan. 22.—A hostile cruiser shelled the Turkish positions on Gallipoli peninsula near Takeburnu on Thursday, but was forced by the Turkish batteries to retire, the War Office announced today.

RANCHER IS BANDIT VICTIM

Man Captured and Said to Have Confessed—Report 23 Killed as Train is Blown Up

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 22.—Francisco Villa and 200 of his followers are reported in a dispatch received here early to-day from Mexico to have been surrounded by Carranza soldiers in the Sierra Madre Mountains between Puerco and Guadalupe.

The message states that the rebel leader and his men are in a strongly fortified mountain pass and that though escape is impossible the Carranza will be unable to make their first attack until reinforcements arrive from Casas Grandes.

Smith Duran, a Mexican, was said to have been early to-day, after being arrested by a Carranza soldier, charged with killing a woman. He is said to have confessed.

Reports that an American tankard, as he is called, reached the United States at Jovito late last night. It was said that the crime had been committed by cattle thieves. Two ranchmen, J. B. Moore and Douglas Down had crossed the Rio Grande at Yula, where they were met by Carranza soldiers.

MUNITIONS SHIP ON FIRE CALLS FOR HELP

New York, Jan. 22.—With fire raging in her No. 1 hold forward, and with her Morse signal lamps flashing repeated calls for assistance, the 4,000-ton Norwegian steamship Syria, filled with munitions of war and bound for Vladivostok, Russia, sped up to quarantine early today and anchored.

Fire boats from Brooklyn and Manhattan were sent to her assistance. The Syria, commanded by Captain Meyer, sailed early yesterday from the Bush Dock, South Brooklyn. At 1:50 o'clock this morning observers at Quarantine saw the vessel coming back up the narrow vessel channel of distress. She anchored 200 yards out in the stream and immediately the signal lamps on her bridge began flashing out the calls for aid. The messages read: "Fire in No. 1 hold. Notify Newton, Lilly & Company and also American consul."

Twenty men were sent to the office of the steamship company and to Brooklyn fire headquarters. The fire on the Syria, which was burning in the forward compartment, was extinguished and the vessel was towed to the pier. No smoke or fire could be seen. Captain Meyer came ashore after the fire was extinguished and reported that the damage was not great and that the vessel probably would proceed to her destination.

According to the Marine Record, the Syria is a 4,000-ton vessel, built in 1914, and is owned by the Norwegian firm of Meyer, Lund and Co., Ltd., of Bergen, Norway.

QUEEN FLEES TO FRANCE

By International News Service. Lyons, France, Jan. 22.—Queen Milena of Montenegro and her two daughters arrived here to-day. Pending the selection of a permanent residence the royal party will remain at a hotel.

What Sunday American Want Ads Mean to You

No matter what your station in life, you cannot afford to miss the opportunities in the Want Ad and Real Estate columns of the Boston Sunday American.

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"Inside Story" on the Mohr Case---By One of the Chief Figures in the Trial

New, Exclusive Pictures—A Strong Story by Dorothy Dix—And Other Remarkable Articles About This Most Absorbing Trial—In the Boston Sunday American

Dutch Schooner Mined.
London, Jan. 22.—The Dutch schooner, *Rangerman*, was blown up by a mine off the Dutch coast with the loss of all on board, a Copenhagen dispatch to the Daily Mail reports.

Sunday Church Services

A LIST OF CHURCHES THAT EXTEND A HAND OF FELLOWSHIP TO YOU

Bahai Movement.
P. O. Box 1072.
Represents Universal Peace, Oneness of Humanity, Unity of Science and Religion.
MEETING, BOSTON AMERICAN PARLOR, 110 N. STATE ST., MONDAY, JAN. 23, 1916, 8 P. M. SUBJECT, "NEW WORLD."

Baptist.
MADISON C. PETERS.
Clergyman, Street Church, St. Margaret.
7:30, What to Do in Difficult Days.
7:30, Why American Marriages Fail.

Proceeded by illustrated song service, public invited.

Episcopal.
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.
The Episcopalian Church of the City of New York, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Christadelphian.
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Christian Science.
The First Church of Christ, Scientist, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Congregationalist.
PARK STREET CHURCH, corner of Park and State Sts., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Episcopal.
Church of the Ascension.
200 Washington St., 10 A. M. A Christian View of War.

The Flood.
ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Higher Life.
The Church of the Higher Life, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Methodist Episcopal.
The Methodist Episcopal Church, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Miscellaneous.
POND HALL MEETINGS, Pond Hall, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Universalist.
The Universalist Church, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Vedanta.
The Vedanta Society, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Other Churches.
List of other churches and their services.

Allies Purchase Grain.
Buckhead, Jan. 22.—An Anglo-French corporation, with a capital of \$10,000,000, has been formed to buy up all available grain so that the allied powers will be enabled to import needed supplies.

SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

MISS TUFTS A FAIR DEBUTANTE.
RUTH WOODBURY TO WED. REV. E. H. COTTON.

PATRIOTIC MEETING.
PEOPLE'S TEMPLE, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

New Thought.
NEW THOUGHT CHURCH, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

People's Pentecostal.
PEOPLE'S PENTECOSTAL CHURCH, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Presbyterian.
BROOKLINE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Psychic Centre.
PSYCHIC CENTRE, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Salvation Army.
THE SALVATION ARMY, 110 N. State St., 7:30 P. M. Subject, "The Church in the World."

Spiritualist.
UNITY CHURCH.
JORDAN HALL.
Sunday at 10:45 and 7:30.
Address and Genuine SPIRITUAL MESSAGES.

Firemen Put Out 3 Candles and Are a Bit Put Out.

Five Drowned in OKLAHOMA FLOODS.

Two Ill, Three Die of Strange Malady.

\$250,000 LIBRARY GIFT TO AMHERST.

Saves Elderly Folks From Bladder Misery.

Hanging Clothes Is Fatal At 100.

Mother Hear 'Ell' Sunday.

Vanada.

Other News.

GREENMORE SUIT BARELY A SECRET.

Attentions at Greenmore theological colony, secret love, ancient wisdom, birth of inner man and the famous content over the will of Mrs. O. H. Hall are referred to in letters written by Miss Celia Richmond of Adams to the late Mrs. Ellen L. H. Moffett, Bostonian.

These letters were produced in the present content brought against Mrs. Moffett's estate by her sister, Miss Carrie J. Daniels of Boston. The content will be resumed Monday before Judge Hall and jury.

Miss Daniels alleges that Mrs. Moffett was unduly influenced by prominent theologians, which resulted in the loss to Miss Daniels as property that Mrs. Moffett told her once would be bequeathed to her.

SAW CHANGE IN WOMAN.
Mrs. Edith A. Foss, for many years an intimate friend of Mrs. Moffett, was an important witness.

"Before Mrs. Moffett was operated on and lost her eyes, she was self-poisoned, good natured and pleasant," testified Mrs. Foss. "She was a good business woman. In the Fall of 1909 Mrs. Moffett came to Boston one night arriving unexpectedly. A carriage stopped at the door and I saw who looked like a little old lady getting out."

"She was shrunken, thin, and seemed much depressed and sick, not like herself at all. I didn't know her. I saw her again in the Spring of 1910, and she seemed better. But whenever I came from Greenmore she was always and tired. She would be in and out of the house and I saw who looked like a little old lady getting out."

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"She grew very nervous about her clothes, dressed fastidiously," said Mrs. Foss. "She would wear a great deal of lace and beads, also many flowers in her hair. She told me she was going to buy a 'Moffett' who had hair was gray, almost white, but she said she would have a blonde wig."

"She came to my brother's funeral wearing a brightly flowered lace scarf which I didn't think very appropriate. There were bright spots on her face. On her days in Summer she would wear a heavy, blue, and on very cold days her dress would be a very warm one."

"Cross-examined, Mrs. Foss was asked about Mrs. Moffett's conversation with the theologians. She replied 'Mrs. Moffett was a member and attended all the conventions of Greenmore. She thought theologians much. Mrs. Moffett left the letters she received from Miss Richmond to me in regard to her letters and papers had been very careful.'

FIVE DROWNED IN OKLAHOMA FLOODS.
Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 22.—Five persons were drowned, much property was destroyed, and train service was deranged by obstructions to railroads in Oklahoma in Murray county and in the district of Oklahoma.

James Shaffer of Stillwater, Okla., was the only survivor of a cloudburst. Mrs. Edward O. Cleveland and three of her children lost their lives in the destruction of their home north of Stillwater. Numerous other persons were drowned in banks.

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In Tomorrow's Boston Sunday American

Dorothy Dix

The Famous Writer and Author Discusses the

Great Lessons

of the

Mohr Case

"THERE are many morals to be drawn from such a case," she writes. "One of them, of course, is that the wages of sin is death, and that men who break the law of right living, as Dr. Mohr did, are in turn broken by it."

"For him, dead, and for the woman who was his companion and whose scars will be like the scarlet letter upon her face as long as she lives, retribution came surely and swiftly, as it does to all who believe that happiness can be found in wrong doing."

She draws other lessons—does Dorothy Dix—in the article which she has prepared especially for the Boston Sunday American.

This article is perhaps the most enlightening philosophical work produced by any of the writers who have attended the trial. It will be talked about and discussed. ALL should read it.

The Dorothy Dix story will be supplemented in tomorrow's Boston Sunday American by other stories on different phases of the trial.

MR. ELIAS McQUAID, whose article in last Sunday's American was so widely read and commented upon, will prepare another story of the trial's developments.

MR. HAYDON JONES, one of the country's most famous crayon artists, will have a half page of court room STUDIES of MRS. MOHR.

There will be NEWS STORIES and PHOTOGRAPHS.

The Christian Martyrs in Mexico

THE REV. JOSEPH M. McMAHON, of the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, New York, an eminent Catholic authority, in reply to Secretary Tumulty, presents facts obtained from eyewitnesses of the burning of churches, desecration of altars, murder of priests and the torture of the splendid men who have devoted their lives to the service of the cloister.

The facts he presents have been collected by the Catholic Church Extension Society of the United States. They were presented to the State Department in spite of the assertion of the Secretary to the President that no records are on file; and were in the hands of Pope, Benedict XV., when an archbishop of Mexico called to see him in reference to the state of the church in that unhappy country.

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A New Discovery of Great Import in the Mesa Verde National Park

OWNERSHIP BY PUBLIC URGED FOR "L"

The question of public ownership of street railways is being agitated as a result of the complaints made against the Boston Elevated and other lines. Figures have been compiled showing how much money could be saved under public ownership, and legislative action has been asked.

Representative John H. Martin of Ward 36 has a bill allowing any city or town to put the question of public ownership up to the people for a referendum vote. Representative Martin says he is prepared to push this bill.

TELLS OF ELEVATED SALARIES.
John F. Duffy, attorney and former president of the Mattapan Improvement Association, has compiled figures to show that while the Elevated stockholders are getting far more on their investment and the officials receiving in some cases ten times as large salaries as are given to city officials, Boston is losing thousands of dollars that might be expended in bettering service and adding new transportation facilities.

"It is astonishing to learn," said Attorney Duffy, "that the salary of the president of the Boston Elevated Company has recently been raised from \$10,000 to \$15,000, while other salaries have been boosted from \$1,000 and \$1,500 to \$2,000."

A comparison of figures shows that while the Elevated gives to its secretary \$10,000 and to its treasurer \$12,000, the city spends \$2,000 and \$5,000 respectively on the two offices. Vice-President Bush, who is in charge of transportation for the Elevated, receives \$1,500, as against \$500 given by Boston to the head of the Public Works Department. City Clerk Dunne receives \$2,000 as against \$1,500 given by the Elevated for the same kind of service.

COUNSEL GET BIG SUMS.
Boston pays \$3,500 to its corporation counsel, while Darton, Snow and Scitowall received last year \$7,000, and R. A. Sears, attorney, \$15,000. There are thirteen officers in the Boston Elevated Company receiving more than \$5,000 and the high salaries officials receive a total of \$25,139. Six Boston salaries representing the highest paid amount to \$14,000, as against \$10,000 given to six highest paid officials.

The returns of 6 per cent, to which the Elevated is entitled amount to \$2,527,841 for 1915, a sum that would under municipal ownership go to Boston.

"From its total service the Elevated makes \$19,000,477. The same in nickels from 17,509,032 passengers."

"With such figures before one, and with a knowledge that the above mentioned salaries are enormous, it would seem to me that there never was a more favorable time to agitate public ownership."

URGES PUBLIC OWNERSHIP.
Representative Martin declared today:

"The Boston Elevated service can never be made satisfactory while it is run as a private organization. There are two interests, diametrically opposed, the shareholders and the traveling public. Improvements which mean cutting down on receipts will be only temporary, that is in a foregone conclusion. There will be few lines established and maintained which run at a loss, and which must be paid for out of receipts from more prosperous lines. It cannot be expected that an efficient that the people are tired of complaining and of shouting for this and that car which has been removed for the sake of economy. Public ownership could save thousands of dollars by various economies, both in salaries and by a more comprehensive routing."

"The bill which I am introducing is general in its nature, and simply allows any city or town, after consideration of the question of public ownership up to the people for a referendum vote. The first section gives the purpose:

QUOTES HIS BILL.
"I shall be happy for the Commonwealth, acting by General Court, or by any board or officer authorized thereby by the General Court, and for any city or town in the Commonwealth to purchase and operate any railroad, or railway, or system of telegraphic or telephone communication, or any lighting or heating plant, or any system of water for domestic purposes or any public utility."

"There was there a better time to present such a bill as this, and I am prepared to stick it before the public for thoughtful consideration. The idea of operating across the country, and San Francisco, has recently taken over a tramline."

"Who spend time criticizing and condemning when the remedy is in sight, direction."

LISZT NOVELTY AT SYMPHONY CONCERT

By FRED J. MOISAC.

Berlioz's overture to "Rob Roy," Liszt's tone poem, "What Our Heroes on a Mountain," and Schumann's symphony in E-flat major No. 1, op. 38, composed the program at the Boston Symphony concert yesterday.

Berlioz's overture was inspired by Scott's novels. The chief theme is "Rob Roy," an ancient melody in which Robert Burns set inspiring words. After hearing the first performance of his overture, Berlioz went home and burned the manuscript. He used much of the thematic material in "Gilda Harlow" afterwards. Nevertheless, it is a remarkable music to those of us who have Scottish sympathies.

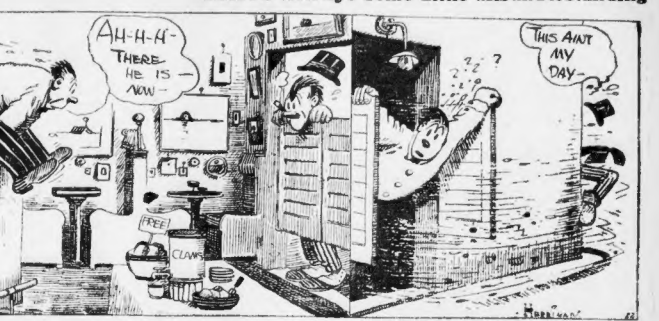
Liszt's tone poem received its first Boston performance yesterday, although it is nearly seventy years old. It was inspired by a poem by Victor Hugo, when Liszt greatly admired. It is a musical description of the conflict between the forces of nature and humanity. It is enriched in the sonorous and impressive phenomena of Liszt, but it falls far behind his other tone poems in imagination and descriptive power. Much of it is tedious, and much only is easy to understand when one conductor felt moved to produce it. The Mark but it is a novelty.

The Schumann Rhapsody in C was played very charmingly, and the audience will be on their feet next week. The solution of the Mark but it is a novelty.

BARON BEAN



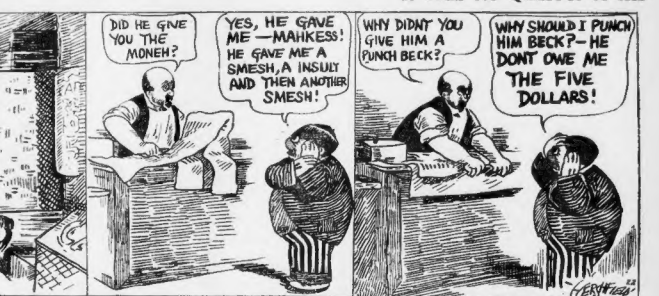
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ABIE THE AGENT



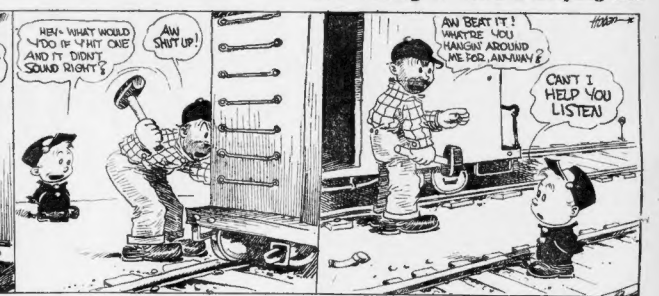
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He's Willing to Lend a Helping Ear



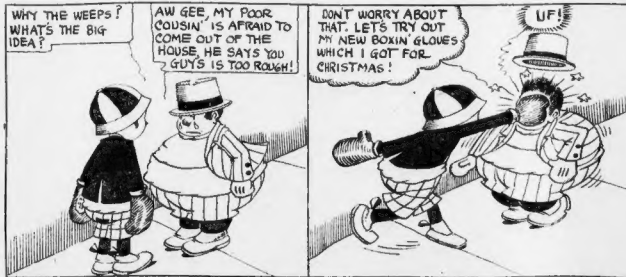
POLLY AND HER PALS



Why, Indeed, as Pa Very Well Inqu r's



US BOYS



Atta Boy, Skinny: Hand It to That Lit. Rascal



FREE!
A SEASON PASS TO THE COURT HOUSE SQUARE WILL BE GIVEN TO ANYONE WHO GOES TO THE MARK BUT IT IS A NOVELTY.

GOAT GRABBERS
PETE O' HAHN THE GINK WHO LAUGHS AT YOU WHEN YOU LAND ON THE SIDE WALK AFTER STEPPING ON A BANANA PEEL.

PET PUP
WELL KNOWN SAYINGS ILLUSTRATED BY SKINNY SHAMPER.

HE UNDERSTANDS EVERYTHING YOU SAY TO HIM!

Answer to Yesterday's
WHAT INSECT FREQUENTS COUNTRY SCHOOLS? THE SPELLING BEE!
GO TO THE FOOT OF THE LINE!

Try this!
FROM ROBERT LYONS - CITY WHY ARE CAR CONDUCTORS GENEROUS?
ANSWER MONDAY

There is a rank due to the United States among nations which will be withheld, if not absolutely lost, by the reputation of weakness. If we desire to avoid insult, we must be able to repel it; if we desire to secure peace, one of the most powerful instruments of our rising prosperity, it must be known that we are at all times ready for war.—GEORGE WASHINGTON

TRUTH, JUSTICE

BOSTON AMERICAN EDITORIAL PAGE

PUBLIC SERVICE

Saturday, January 22, 1916

Any One Can Kick Us in These Brave Days

THE proposed blockade of neutral countries contiguous to Germany is defended by the British press on the ground that President Lincoln blockaded the Confederacy and a few adjacent island ports.

The British apologists entirely ignore two fundamental differences between Mr. Lincoln's blockade of the Confederate States and the proposed blockade of Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Holland.

The United States government was dealing, not with recognized independent, sovereign powers, but with a part of its own territory which was in insurrection.

Mr. Lincoln simply asserted the right of the United States government to forbid importations into or exports from a part of the territory of the United States until the people of that territory recognized the authority of their government.

It was a case of a government exercising police authority over its own ports.

The only outside ports blockaded were small islands, notoriously without any trade of their own, which British traders used as depots to supply blockade runners with contraband goods.

The attempt to justify the high-handed blockade of trade between sovereign neutral nations such as the United States and the Scandinavian kingdoms by citing President Lincoln's blockade of the States in insurrection and of notorious contraband rendezvous like St. Thomas is beneath the dignity of serious argument.

As a matter of fact, argument was wasted in this case anyway.

The British government intends to drive neutral commerce from the seas and will do it because it has the naval power to back up its arrogance.

The Scandinavian kingdoms will probably fight. But we will remain too proud to do anything but write.

By running our factories day and night and loaning our credit and cash in unheard-of sums, we have kept England and her allies from being soundly beaten by the Teutons.

Now, according to Lloyd George, the munitions factories of England, Canada, France and Japan have been so enlarged that there will soon be no need of American assistance.

So, AS A RETURN FOR SAVING THE ALLIES FROM BEING BEATEN, the British navy will sweep the balance of our neutral trade off the seas.

The British navy has no RIGHT to destroy our commerce or the commerce of the Scandinavian kingdoms. But it has the POWER to do these things. And the shameful mistreatment and violation of Belgium and of Greece prove clearly enough that neither Germany and her allies nor England and her allies pay the slightest attention to international law or neutral rights when it suits them to violate that law and those rights and they feel strong enough to do so with impunity.

And, citizens, anybody seems to be strong enough to kick us with impunity. Even Mexico.

For our Democratic administration is not only too proud to fight, but our Democratic Congress is resolved, apparently, that we shall remain TOO WEAK TO FIGHT.

And a people which has neither the courage to resist the destruction of its commerce nor the common sense to provide the means of defending its rights INVITES the aggressions of arrogance and the contempt and piracy of greed.

The British navy will blockade the other neutral nations against our lawful trade. Do not doubt that.

And our Democratic administration will not do a thing to protect our rights as a sovereign nation. You can depend upon that.

How an American's heart swells with pride these days when he looks upon his flag and reflects that it is still allowed to float over postoffices and other public buildings without our government obtaining permission from a British naval officer to hoist it.

Once-Overs

Don't encourage your children to tell what they heard at the home of your friend or neighbor.

It gets to be a bad habit. It starts them on the road to "the gossip."

Naturally, when you tell them, they have a desire to tell something out of the ordinary—something that will interest you.

When they find that the ordinary things won't do, they have quite likely to mention what they saw when you were in the house.

This is the most damaging lesson in the line of lies.

Before long they realize that, in claim attention, the commonplace is a failure, so they exaggerate their imagination.

Once this idea is implanted it is most difficult to uproot. Lying becomes easier than telling the truth.

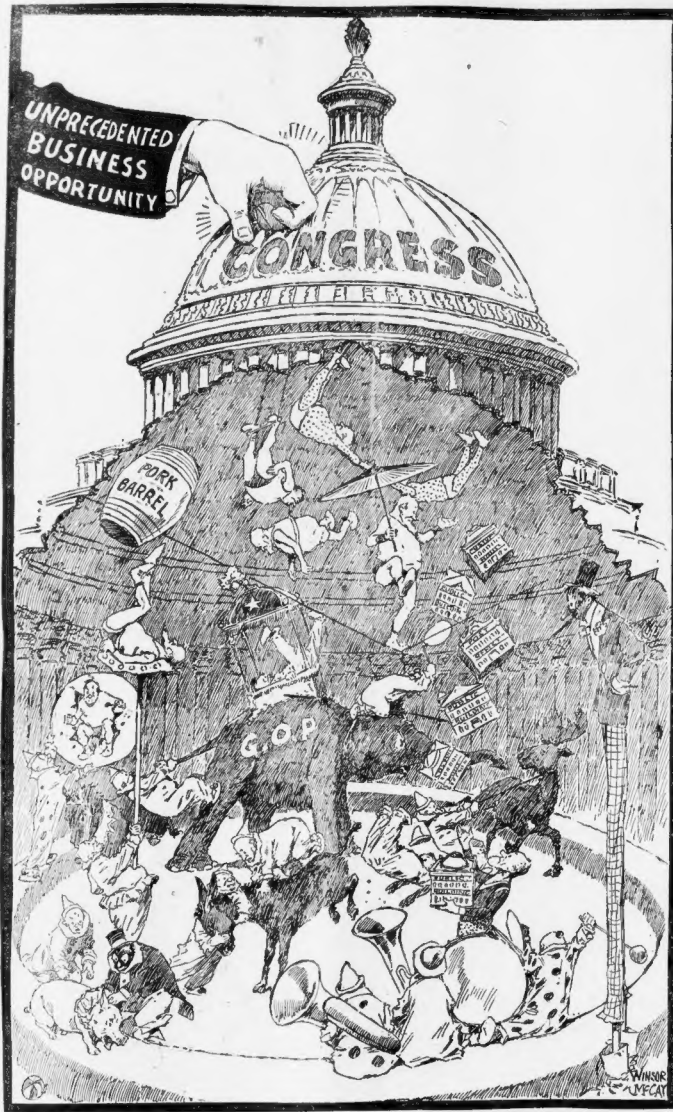
The habit is formed and, with age, becomes second nature. The mind of a child is very sensitive and it requires little to make an impression, deep and lasting.

The part of imagination is to make a child believe that there are right, justice, happiness and money, and to give their own business and not know much about their neighbors.

NOBODY HOME!

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More Truth Than Poetry

By James J. Montague

A Few Exceptions

"IT'S easy to please us Progressives," says Bird; "We're strong for this compromise plan. The voters must know that it's a compromise plan. To say that we want our own man. Whomever the G. O. P. honestly seeks. We'll never refuse—Save Bush, and Burton, and Fairbanks, and Weeks, and Sherman, and Whitman, and Hughes."

"We'll all get together," says William A. White. "Forget all the feuds of the past; Pick out a good man and get into the fight. A unified party at last. Whomever the G. O. P. leaders may choose. Will find our support sure and certain—Save Bush, or Fairbanks, or Whitman or Hughes, or Sherman, or Weeks, or Burton!"

"WE'RE willing to sacrifice something, of course," says Perkins, and heaves a deep sigh. "We must let the G. O. P. dictate, perforce. If we can gain profit thereby. For any good man upon whom we can fuse. We will fight like a phalanx of Greeks—Save Bush, and Burton, and Fairbanks, and Weeks, and Sherman, and Whitman, and Hughes."

"There will be mighty little of the 1912 Democratic platform left to trade in for the 1916 model."

"The New Orders. Face up to them! Ready! Aim! Write!"

Conservation

Justice Hughes must have a tremendous stock of views on all the questions now before the public. Up to date none has ever escaped from him.

The New Sport

Both Oregon and Washington have legislated to snuff the bar fly.

Regular

Nobody can say that Henry Ford is not a good fellow. The price per expedition cost him \$200,000 and he has never even said "ouch!"

Pretty Well Punctured

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The New Orders

Face up to them! Ready! Aim! Write!"

"I Am an American!"

SIX YEARS AGO, One Made the Declaration Proudly. Anywhere Under the Sun. THEN It Meant Safety, Respect, Decent Treatment. Twelve DAYS AGO, Seventeen Passengers on a Railroad Train, in Mexico, Admitted That They Were Americans and Were Taken Out and Shot. In the Sunday AMERICAN, Tomorrow, One of the Most Prominent Catholic Pastors in the United States Discusses "Watchful Waiting."

The soldiers entered the city.

Leading families, who previous to this horrible episode had been considered rich, today have not even bread to eat, and many are without clothing.

Notwithstanding the entreaties of sisters, mothers, wives, children, they were conducted as the vilest criminals to the dirtiest and unhealthiest prison cells.

Churches were profaned, sacred vestments used in a dance. At Margaritas, the chalice was used in drinking "mescal."

They captured the Rev. Ignacio Lopez Hardo, the next day his dead body was found, the head and chest riddled with bullets. Christian Brothers, Adrian and Adolph, were conducted to Bufo Hill and shot.

Female religious, virgins consecrated to God, have been victims of the unabridged passions of the soldiers. In one hospital there are fifty. They were taken away by the soldiers. Forty-five are about to become mothers.

What is all this? A new story of outrages in Belgium?

No. More Armenian atrocities?

No.

The stories of the outrages HERE referred to do not come from London, Paris, Berlin, Vienna or Constantinople, the nearest of which cities is seven days and four thousand miles away, but were originally written, and in many cases solemnly sworn to, just over our "back fence," in the United States of Mexico. The Government of the United States of America is held INDIVIDUALLY responsible for them, by many millions of its citizens, because the de facto (Carranza) government in Mexico exists SOLELY by our favor.

In the Sunday AMERICAN, tomorrow, the Rev. Joseph H. McMahon, a conspicuous leader among Roman Catholic churches in the United States, will express the dissatisfaction of American Catholics with the attitude of the administration in Washington towards the situation in Mexico.

Dr. McMahon presents facts, obtained from eye-witnesses, of the burning of churches, the desecration of altars, the murder of priests and the torture of nuns. The atrocities suffered by Catholics in Mexico our reverend correspondent compares to the persecutions of the early Christian martyrs.

The distinguished author of this statement of the American Catholic position as to Mexico and the Carranzistas was the founder, and is still the pastor, of one of the most important parishes in the city of New York. He was one of the organizers of the Catholic Summer School of America, at Cliff Haven, on beautiful Lake Champlain. He founded the Catholic Library Reading Circles. He is a member of the circulation committee of the New York Public Library.

Late in November, last, it will be remembered, a physician at Trenton, New Jersey, wrote to his friend, the Secretary to the President, to ask for accurate information as to the manner in which priests and sisters had been treated at the hands of General Carranza, saying that there had been such widespread criticism that "many friends of the President are at a loss to understand why the Administration has been willing to recognize him."

The President's Secretary had a reply for his New Jersey friend, and neighbor, in exactly seven days. It received nationwide and even international publicity. Mr. Tumulty said, referring to reports of outrages on Catholics: "There is no official record of a single proven case of this dastardly crime in the files of the Department of State."

Dr. McMahon calls this letter of Mr. Tumulty "insulting, dishonest, and manufactured for partisan use." "Get Catholics fighting among themselves as to whether any such atrocities ever occurred," says the New York churchman, "and the suave phrase-maker, whose policy is responsible for their occurrence and continuance, will escape scot free in the dust kicked up in the discussion."

In his full-page article in the Sunday AMERICAN, Dr. McMahon speaks of what he terms the "other form of the dilemma." Make a "political" question of it, he says, "and that whole section of American public opinion represented by The Menace, the Guardians of Liberty, and those who are by inherited prejudice opposed to the Catholic idea, will be arrayed as a unit against the Catholic people clamoring for reparation and in favor of the fiendishly unjust policy that is responsible."

Twelve days ago—and SINCE Dr. McMahon's article was prepared for publication—the Mexican situation developed a new aspect through the murder of seventeen Americans fifty miles west of Chihuahua City. These Americans were passengers on a railroad train. Their train was boarded by Villistas. Each was asked, "You American?" They were taken out, stripped naked, and stood up to be shot.

This cold-blooded murder of Watson, Wallace, Robinson, Newman, Evans, Wadleigh, Pierce, Pringle and their associates has become the tremendously big question of the day, in these United States. The subject of "Mexican affairs" is now before the Senate at Washington.

For five years the official policy of the United States towards Mexico and her bandit chieftains has been side-stepping, procrastinating, apologetic and un-American. Now that the Senate appears to have taken the subject up, apparently in earnest, we may expect suddenly to see the end of "watchful waiting."

Meanwhile, we are glad to place before our readers an authoritative exposition of the American Catholic attitude towards Mr. Carranza and other good friends of watchful waiting, including, of course, the accomplished Mr. Tumulty.

Mexico and the Mexican problem are much nearer home than other troublesome questions for more than a year past. Let us occupy our attention also exclusively. Our responsibility for Mexico is undisputed.